(b) In a meeting convened by the Director General of Civil Aviation, the International Air Carriers have agreed to charge pre-specified fares as filed with Director General of Civil Aviation. They have also agreed to abide by the provisions of the Aircraft Rules, 1937 relating to tariff.

Operation of Boeing Aircraft in Saurashtra Region

1405. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the actual and total length of runways, taxi tracks and apron at Bhuj, Kandla, Porbandar, Keshod Airports;

(b) whether Boeing aircrafts are operated to and from all the above airports except Rajkot, Bhavnagar and Jamnagar;

(c) whether Government propose to expand and extend the runway at the Bhavnagar airport with all navigational facilities of International standards;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The actual and total length of runways, taxi tracks and apron at Bhuj, Kandla, Porbandar, Keshod airports are as under:—

	Runway	Taxitrack	Apron
BHUJ:	05/23 8250'x150'	Width 75'	150'x110'
KANDLA:	05/23 5000'x150'	Width 50'	300 'x200'
		Length 650'	
PORBA:	09/27 4500 'x150'	Width 50'	150 'x100' (old)
NDAR:	05/23 3290 'x120'	Length 900'	300 'x200' (new)
KESHOD:	05/23 4500 'x150'	Width 50'	300 'x250'
		Length 630'	

(b) Indian Airlines is presently operating Airbus A-320 aircraft to Bhavnagar and Boeing-737 aircraft to Bhuj, Rajkot and Jamnagar.

(c) to (e) The National Airports Authority is ascertaining the feasibility of extension of the runway at Bhavnagar. The existing Very High Frequency Omni Range (VOR) is being replaced by Doppler VOR at a total cost of Rs. 1.2 crores. It is likely to be commissioned by December, 1994.

Complants regarding raw deal from Travel Agents

1406. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided recently to come to the rescue of tourists who get a raw deal from travel agents, tour operators, hoteliers and traders by setting up a cell;

(b) if so, what is the composition of the cell;